

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

In re Application of: HERMIDA

U.S. Serial No.: 10/082743

Confirmation No.: 4696

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Examiner: G. Krishnan

Group Art Unit: 1623

For: REGENERATION OF ARTICULAR CARTILAGE DAMAGED BY GRADE I AND II OSTEOARTHRITIS BY MEANS OF THE INTRAARTICULAR APPLICATION OF A MIXTURE OF SODIUM HYALURONATE AND CHONDROITIN SULFATE IN A GEL VEHICLE

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER
37 CFR 1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)**

MAIL STOP: NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

A two month extension of the period for response to the outstanding Office Action dated April 14, 2003, is hereby requested; the extended period for response will expire on August 25, 2003.

Please charge the \$410.00 extension fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(b) to Deposit Account No. 501051. A duplicate copy of this letter is attached.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501051.

Respectfully submitted,

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